

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Generous giving always results in God's blessing.
*"Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food
will also supply and increase your store of seed
and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness" (2 Cor. 9:10).*

FIRST READING

Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

CANTICLE 15/THE SONG OF MARY [THE MAGNIFICAT] (LUKE 1:46-55)

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
The promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

**WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN
DISRUPTED BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.**

AS WE PRAY, LET US REMEMBER:

✠ those in special need, especially Dianna & Kelly;
James, Don, Doug; Bruce & Laurie; Wally; Kay;
Michael; Jay; George; Kim & Dan; Al; Samantha;
Charlie Kate & her family; Alfonso; Anthony; Larry &
Leslie; Norrin; Kelsey; Brody; Shoney; Robert; Lori;
Keira.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES	
Monday, December 24	
Carol Sing (Joyful Noise Choir /Congregation)	6 PM
Christmas Pageant/Holy Eucharist Rite II	6:30 PM
Carol Sing (Chancel Choir/Congregation)	8:30 PM
Holy Eucharist Rite I	9 PM
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE	
Tuesday, December 25	
Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

HOLIDAY BLESSINGS!
PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE FIRST POWWOW OF 2019
SATURDAY, JANUARY 5TH, 8-11 AM
 \$12 for up to 70lbs of fresh produce!
 Early Birds and Late Stayers are welcome
 to help us with set-up and clean-up.

A NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY USING THE SERENDIPITY BIBLE will begin on Wed, January 9th at 3 pm led by Rev Carmen. Come find out what it's all about. See Rev Carmen, Mary Brooks or Janet Lennon for more details.

Today	Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	DOK meeting (CH 3)	9 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Group (CH 6)	9:45 AM
	Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
Mon.	Christmas Eve (service schedule above)	
Tue.	Christmas Day (service schedule above)	
Wed.	Holy Eucharist Rite II	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Thu.	Women's Bible Study (PH)	3 PM
Fri.	Thrift Shop	CLOSED
Sat.	Thrift Shop	CLOSED
	Veteran's Ministry meeting (PH)	9 AM
Sun.	Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	Nursery care	9:30–11:15 AM
	Sunday School (CH 2 & 8)	9:45 AM
	Youth Sunday / Music by Joel Joa	
	Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM

FOOD PANTRY
Spam, oatmeal packets, cookies, shampoo, conditioner
BLESSING BAGS
<u>Travel size or individually wrapped please</u> Cheez-its, travel sized Goldfish, Rice Krispie treats

<p>OUR OFFICE & FOOD PANTRY ARE CLOSED DECEMBER 24 THROUGH JANUARY 1.</p>
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